
2009 NORMAN WINTER GAMES

presented by **Calm Air**

FEBRUARY 20-22, VETERANS HALL-MULTIPLEX, NORWAY HOUSE

TECHNICAL PACKAGE

SPORT: *TABLE TENNIS*

EVENTS

Males and females will be able to compete in the following events:

- Event # 1 & 2: Under 13 Singles-Boys/ Girls
- Event #3 & 4: Under 15 Singles-Boys/ Girls
- Event #5 & 6: Under 18 Singles-Boys/ Girls; (Youth > 15)
- Event #7 & 8: Adult Singles-Men/ Women
- Event #9: Female Open Age Singles
- Event #10: Male Open Age Singles

NOTE: Players can enter their own age event and the Open Age event. The Open Age Events will determine the overall Male & Female Norman Champions.

AGE CATEGORIES & ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must reside in the Norman Sport Region. All athletes must be a minimum of 10 years of age as of January 1, 2009. Athletes must meet the following age cutoffs to play in an event:

- Under 13: Born in 1997-1999
- Under 15: Born in 1995 or 1996
- Under 18/ Youth > 15: Born in 1992-1994
- Adult Singles: Born in 1991 or earlier
- Open Age Singles: All athletes can play

COMPETITION RULES

Except for regulations surrounding the covering of rackets, the tournament will be conducted in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the International Table Tennis Federation (I.T.T.F.) and the Table Tennis Canada (T.T.C.).

Rackets and Racket Coverings:

I.T.T.F. regulations concerning the racket are contained in chapter 2, section 2.4 of the official rules. These regulations will be adhered to subject to the following modifications:

- Sides of rackets used to strike the ball shall be covered with either ordinary pimples rubber (pimples with no sponge layer underneath) or sandwich rubber with either a pimples or smooth rubber surface (sandwich rubber has a layer of sponge between the wood blade and surface used to contact the ball).
- Plain wood rackets or a side of the racket not covered with either pimples or sandwich rubber may not be used to strike the ball.
- Rackets covered with only a sponge layer may not be used.
- Sandpaper rackets may not be used.

- Rackets with the exact same type of covering on each side may be of one colour or two different colours. However, if a racket has two different types of rubber on each side, then each side must be of a clearly different colour.

COMPETITION FORMAT

Events:

Ten singles events will be contested for table tennis. These are as listed at the top of page 1. Age cutoffs are also given on page 1.

Singles Event Format:

The exact format of each of the eight events will depend upon the number of entries received. In general, in each of the eight events, according to seeding*, athletes will be drawn using a snake system into preliminary round-robin groups of 3,4 or 5 players. The top 1-2 players (as time allows: dependant upon number of entries and number of tables) will advance to a single knockout draw.

- ***Seeding:** The seeding of players in male and female singles shall be based on the latest available Table Tennis Canada ratings at the time of the draw. If players don't have ratings, then Groups will be randomly drawn except that players from the same school, town, community club will be separated as much as possible.
- **Singles Match Format:** All singles matches are the best 3/5 games to 11 points.
- **Sanctioning:** This event is sanctioned by Table Tennis Canada and results count towards Manitoba and Canadian rankings.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday February 20th: Open Practice & coaching sessions & club umpire seminar/ examination.

Saturday February 21st:

9:00 am Doors Open
 9:00-9:30 Open Practice
 9:30 Under 13 Singles-Boys/ Girls
 10:00 Under 15 Singles-Boys/ Girls
 11:00 Adult Singles-Men/ Women
 11:30 Under 18 Singles-Boys/ Girls
 1:00 pm Open Age Singles-Male/ Female

NOTE: These are the event starting times. Play will continue throughout the day until each event is complete; an event may not necessarily be finished before the next one begins.

EQUIPMENT

The following equipment will be required for the field of play:

- Absolute minimum of 4 tables. 6-8 preferred.
- 4-8 net/post sets.
- 4-8 school desks with chairs (for umpires/ score flipcharts).
- 4-8 score flipcharts.
- 30 to 50 table surround barriers or rolls corrugated cardboard (court dividers).*

*Optional-if available.

- 4-8 table kits (clipboard/net measure /flip coin/pen/pencil/ scoring sheets).
- Chairs or benches (for teams and officials to sit on-on the field of play).
- Officials control desk area (2X8' table plus 4-6 chairs).
- 2 dozen orange or white, 40mm, 3 star table tennis balls.
- Public address system/ sound system for announcing matches; *Optional-if available.

OFFICIALS

- **Referee:** 1 referee required. Shall be provided by the Manitoba Table Tennis Association. Referee is the head official for the event and is responsible for the draws, scheduling of matches by time and table, conducting the jury and officials meetings, etc.
 - **Umpires:** 6-8 umpires required. Minimum level of certification for umpires should be Level 1 (Club Level). * Umpires are responsible for the scoring of individual matches between players. ***NOTE:** Club Umpires Seminar and Exam could be conducted on site prior to the start of the competition: 2 hours required.
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TIE BREAKER RULE

Refer to the ITTF Handbook to enforce at the time of the Games: Sections 3.7.5.1 - 3.7.5.4.

MEDALS

Gold, silver and bronze awards will be presented to first, second and third place finishers in each of the individual singles events.